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docket 07-057-13

Merilee,

I am writing concerning docket 07-057-13 and ask for your support in overturning it. When I bought my natural gas Honda Civic a year ago, I paid much more than I would have for a standard petroleum gas car. I also knew there were other disadvantages - a driving range of about 150 miles, stations that are few & far apart, and stations that are undependable. Part of the reason I was willing to pay more (in addition to the benefit to the environment) was because I thought I could recoup the cost over many years with lowered fuel prices - I depended on it.

Now I understand that CNG will no longer be subsidized in Utah and that rates will soon increase. I also understand that these rates will be based on a cost of service point based on national rates for natural gas and that these rates are typically much higher and less stable than the actual cost of natural gas here in Utah from our local resources.

I ask for your support of continued subsidization of natural gas for cars and protection from rates higher than the actual cost of resources locally.

Thanks.

Gordon Strickland

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